



## **Conservation Successes – April 2004**

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### **Surplus River Access Site Becomes Community Waterfront Park**

Community obtains permanent access to Ohio River

Wilder, KY (March 5, 2004) – The National Park Service's Federal Lands to Parks program transferred Frederick's Landing to the city of Wilder, Kentucky, for their community riverfront park. Formerly acquired and developed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for boating access, the property will be further developed and operated as a riverfront park with walking trails and picnic shelters. This 20.16-acre property provides a boat launching ramp, open space, and a scenic overlook on the Licking Creek, a tributary of the Ohio River. Valued at just over \$700,000, the property is significant because it provides one of the few boating access sites in the Northern Kentucky - Greater Cincinnati area.



NPS Federal Lands to Parks staff negotiated the transfer. For more information, please contact Bill Huie, Federal Lands to Parks Program Manager, at [bill\\_huie@nps.gov](mailto:bill_huie@nps.gov) or 404-562-3175.

### **Swim Center Renovation Complete**

UPARR grant helps leverage other funding sources

Seaside, CA (April 2004) - A \$228,350 Urban Parks and Recreation Recovery (UPARR) grant created the impetus for the complete renovation of the Patullo Swim Center, including renovation of the tanks, complete replacement of the pool mechanical systems, installation of a new roof with skylights and HVAC system, as well as UPARR funded ADA improvements, change room renovations, window replacement, exterior improvements, parking and landscaping improvements.

The swim center provides fitness opportunities for senior adults and youth residing in Seaside and the surrounding northern Monterey Peninsula. Seaside is a small, working-class community with limited resources. When it applied for a UPARR grant in 2001, the indoor swimming pool was in dire need of renovation because of numerous code and safety issues. Nancy Towne, the Recreation Director, indicated she could have never

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imagined the completion of this project without UPARR. For more information, please contact Gary Munsterman, at [gary\\_munsterman@nps.gov](mailto:gary_munsterman@nps.gov) or 510-817-1445.

## **Ready to Ride**

### **Grand Opening of Donald Park Equestrian Trailhead**



Verona, WI (October 2003) – The hard work of volunteers from Friends of Donald Park and the Dane County Park System paid off with the opening of a trailhead designed for equestrian trail riders. Trail users can now ride or hike 3.5 miles of trails inside the park and 10.5 miles of private trails adjoining the park. The National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Program assisted with the layout of the trail and trailhead, fundraising, and the development of trail easements on private lands.

Donald Park is located between the communities of Mt. Horeb and Mt. Vernon west of Madison, WI. The 450 acre park is part of a system of Dane County recreation areas and provides a habitat for wildlife as well as recreational opportunities. The trailhead is located at an old mining site and includes a picnic area with handicap accessible parking. It was designed to accommodate trucks with trailers and to minimize erosion. Native species of grasses were planted as part of the restoration of this portion of the Driftless (unglaciated) Zone of southwest Wisconsin. For more information, please contact Mary Hanson, Outdoor Recreation Planner at [mary\\_hanson@nps.gov](mailto:mary_hanson@nps.gov) or 402-221-3350.

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